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Sirs:

Applicants petition for a one month extension of time to respond to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 25, 2005, for the above-identified matter, from January 25, 2006 to February 27, 2006 (February 25, 2006 falling on a Saturday).

The Commissioner is directed and authorized to charge any fees, credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment of fees which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Respectfully submitted,

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